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In re Application of:	
Masakazu SUZUKI et al.	JUL 3 1 2006) Group Art Unit: 2624) CFFICE OF PETITIONS
Application No.: 10/087,772) Examiner: Utpal D. SHAH
Filed: March 5, 2002) Allowed: March 31, 2006
For: MATHEMATICAL EXPRESSION RECOGNIZING DEVICE, MATHEMATICAL EXPRESSION RECOGNIZING METHOD, CHARACTER RECOGNIZING DEVICE AND CHARACTER RECOGNIZING METHOD) Confirmation No.: 8810

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ATTENTION: Karen Creasy

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF PATENT FROM ISSUE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § § 1.313 (a) and (c)(2), Applicants hereby respectfully petition the Assistant Commissioner to withdraw the above-identified application from issue to permit consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) under § 1.97 being submitted with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) pursuant to § 1.114.

According to the fee schedule set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h), the required fee of \$130.00 for consideration of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

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This request for withdrawal from issue is made to allow the Applicants to submit for the Examiner's consideration an (IDS) for documents cited in a recently issued communication from the European Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application. Since the documents were not identified until after the Issue Fee was paid, the withdrawal of the present application is necessary in order to enable the Applicants to comply with their duty of disclosure.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that this application be withdrawn from issue.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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